

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Figures 1 and 2 have been amended as shown in the Request for Approval of Drawing Changes, filed concurrently herewith, in order to label blocks in Figure 1 to conform with U.S. Patent practice and to make minor word choice changes in Figure 2.

IN THE CLAIMS:

On substitute page 9, line 1, replace "PATENT CLAIMS" with --WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

Delete claims 1 and 11 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend claims 2-10 as follows.

2. (Amended) The method [Method] according to claim [1] 12, [characterized in that] wherein the local connection [(40)] is selected from the group consisting of an electrical connection, [or] a magnetic connection, [or] an inductive connection and an [or] optical connection.

3. (Amended) The method [Method] according to claim [1] 12, [characterized in that] wherein the local connection [(40)] is an electrical connection [that is produced via] of respective charging contacts [(24, 38) between] of the mobile unit [part (12)] and the base station [(10)].

4. (Amended) The method [Method] according to [one of the claims 1 through 3] claim 12, [characterized in that] wherein a binary signal is transmitted via the local connection [(40)].

5. (Amended) The method [Method] according to [one of the claims 1 through 4] claim 12, [characterized in that, in] wherein the step of recognizing [a], the recognition (50, 52, 54) by] the logon situation is triggered when the mobile unit [part (12)] is placed onto the base station [(10)].

6. (Amended) The method [Method] according to [one of the claims 1 through 5] claim 12, [characterized in that, in] wherein the step [b),] of generating the identifier [is generated] includes generating the identifier as a random number.

5 7. (Amended) The method [Method] according to [one of the claims 1 through 6] claim 12, [characterized in that, in step b), wherein the identifier is generated by the mobile [part (12)] unit and is transmitted to the base station [(10)] in the step [c)] of transmitting the identifier via the radio connection.

10 8. (Amended) The method [Method] according to [one of the claims 1 through 7] claim 12, [characterized in that, in] wherein [step e),] the [confirmation] acknowledgment signal is generated by the mobile [part (12)] unit and is transmitted to the base station [(10)].

15 9. (Amended) The method [Method] according to [one of the claims 1 through 8] claim 12, [characterized in that, in step e),] wherein the [confirmation] acknowledgment signal is transmitted within a predetermined time interval [as reaction] in response to a request [(REG__VAL__REQ)] signal transmitted via the radio connection [(42)].

20 10. (Amended) The method [Method] according to [one of the claims 1 through 9] claim 12 further comprising [, characterized by] the [further] step of: [e)] transmitting [(82)] logon data via the radio connection [(42)].

Please add new claims 12-14 as follows.

12. A method for logging a mobile unit on at a base station comprising the steps of:

25 recognizing a logon situation wherein at least one of the mobile unit and the base station determines that the mobile unit is not yet logged on at the

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base station;

generating an identifier;

transmitting the identifier via a radio connection between the mobile unit and the base station;

5 requesting identification with an acknowledgment signal via transmission over the radio connection between the mobile unit and the base station; and

transmitting the acknowledgment signal via a local connection between the mobile unit and the base station.

10 13. A communication system having at least one mobile unit and at least one base station, comprising:

a means for recognizing a logon situation;

a means for generating an identifier;

15 least one base station;

a local connection between the at least one mobile unit and the at least one base station;

a first means for transmitting the identifier via the radio connection; and

20 a second means for transmitting a request for identification with an acknowledgment signal via the radio connection; and

a third means for transmitting the acknowledgment signal via the local connection.

14. An apparatus having at least one mobile unit and a base station comprising:

25 a base station having a first control unit, a confirmation receiver, a first charging connector connected to the confirmation receiver and a first analog assembly configured for sending and receiving radio frequency signals;

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